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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Yukihiro KUSANO, Masato YOSHIKAWA and Yugo ZUIGYO
RUBBER-BASED COMPOSITE MATERIAL AND RUBBER ARTICLE
USING THE SAME
Assignee: **BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION**
Our Ref. Q65935

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 15 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, one (1) sheet of drawing, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also filed herewith are an Information Disclosure Statement and a Form PTO-1449.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>7</u> - 20	=	<u> </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u> </u>	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>1</u> - 3	=	<u> </u>	x	\$80.00	=	<u> </u>	\$0.00
Base Fee								<u>\$710.00</u>
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee								<u>\$270.00</u>
TOTAL FILING FEE								\$980.00
Recordation of Assignment								<u>\$40.00</u>
TOTAL FEE								\$1,020.00

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$980.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from September 26, 2000, based on Japanese Application No. 2000/291768. The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
FEE RECORD SHEET

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